GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
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DIGITAL LIBRARY
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government has decided to set up a digital library in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the objectives for setting up of the said library ;

(d) the time by which it is likely to be set up, and

(e) the funds allocated for the project ?

Answer

MINISTER FOR INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE(SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) Yes Sir. A proposal is being formulated.

(b) & (c): It proposes to make available in digital format cultural contents like books, music, paintings etc. It will facilitate wider dissemination and better accessibility.

Most institutions within Ministry of Culture have on-going individual digitization programmes of their material.

(d) & (e): Preliminary work is expected to commence during this year to consolidate these efforts.

Expenses for this initiative will be met from the funds allotted to the respective institutions.